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COMMUNICATION TO PTO

Sir:

The undersigned attorney of record hereby requests a report of the current status of the above-identified application.

Information regarding the status this application was obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system in late November 2006. The PAIR information seems to indicate that another Examiner, Campbell, Thor S., was assigned responsibility for this case sometime after the mailing date of the third Non-Final Rejection, March 20, 2006. The PAIR system further indicates that as of a Status Date: 10-16-2006 the status of the application is "Allowance Counted". The undersigned attorney of record made a telephone inquiry as to the meaning of the term "Allowance Counted" and was told that it means that the application has been

allowed by the Examiner who received credit for a disposal by allowance, but that as of the status date a Notice of Allowance had not been issued. A Notice of Allowance has not yet been received.

Further telephone inquiry at the Group Art Unit level indicates that the case is in the Group apparently awaiting verification of the allowance.

The undersigned attorney of record would appreciate receiving a prompt response indicating the current status of this application and would appreciate receiving further information as to what is being done to advance the prosecution of this case.

Applicant believes no fees are due for the filing of this communication; however, if it is determined that a fee is required, it may be charged to Deposit Account No. 13-0235, maintained by Applicant's attorney.

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